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Examiner : Jamisue A. Webb
Docket No. : PSTM0009/MRK

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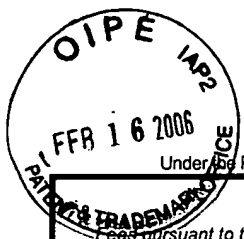
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Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	

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	Small or Large Entity	Small or Large Entity
Each claim over 20 or, for Reissues, each claim over 20 and more than in the original patent	Fee (\$) 50	Fee (\$) 25
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Multiple dependent claims	360	180

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**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
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Serial No. 09/684,869

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Examiner Initials*	Cite No. ¹	U.S. Patent Document		Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Date of Publication of Cited Document MM-YYYY	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
		Number	Kind Code ² (if known)			
	1	6,061,667		Danford-Klein, et al.	05-2000	Throughout
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	7	Examiner Michael A. Cuff, Art Unit 3627, United States Patent Office; Office Action dated November 17, 2005 for Hu, et al.; Apparatus, Systems And Methods For Interfacing With Digital Scales Configured With Remote Client Computer Devices; U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/684,808 (Attorney Docket No. PSTM0008/MRK); filed October 6, 2000	
	8	Examiner Jamisue A. Webb, Art Unit 3629, United States Patent Office; Office Action dated January 27, 2006; Apparatus, Systems and Methods for Online, Multi-Carrier, Multi-Service Parcel Shipping Management Featuring Shipping Rate and Delivery Schedule Comparison for Multiple Carriers; U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/680,654 (Attorney Docket No. PSTM0015/MRK); filed October 6, 2000	
	9	Examiner Jamisue A. Webb, Art Unit 3629, United States Patent Office; Office Action dated November 17, 2005 for Bilibin, et al.; Apparatus, Systems and Methods for Online, Multi-Carrier, Multi-Service Parcel Shipping Management Determination of Ratable Weight for Multiple Carriers; U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/685,077 (Attorney Docket No. PSTM0020/MRK); filed October 6, 2000	
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